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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the prosecution of an offense prohibiting the

3 exhibition, use, or threatened exhibition or use of a firearm in or

- 4 on school property or a school bus.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 37.125(a), Education Code, is amended to
- 7 read as follows:
- 8 (a) A person commits an offense if, in a manner intended to
- 9 cause alarm or personal injury to another person or to damage school
- 10 property, the person intentionally exhibits, uses, [by exhibiting,
- 11 <u>using</u> or threatens [threatening] to exhibit or use a firearm:
- 12 (1) in or on any property, including a parking lot,
- parking garage, or other parking area, that is owned by a private or
- 14 public school; or
- 15 (2) on[, interferes with the normal use of a building
- 16 or portion of a campus or of] a school bus being used to transport
- 17 children to or from school-sponsored activities of a private or
- 18 public school.
- 19 SECTION 2. This Act applies only to an offense committed on
- 20 or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed
- 21 before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in
- 22 effect at the time the offense was committed, and the former law is
- 23 continued in effect for that purpose. For the purposes of this
- 24 section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this

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- 1 Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.